

I am writing you to let you know I strongly oppose any further consolidation of the media in various markets. Already we have only a handful of media conglomerates delivering most news, music, and entertainment than was the case a few decades ago. What has happened is that the quality has deteriorated and unique voices have been lost, replaced by dumbed down, poorly researched, and often blantly dishonest babble. If this is just an attempt to make the media more conservative than it already is, then go ahead and do what big media tells you is in their best interests. Afterall, they paid enough money to let this happen. I can't even listen to radio anymore because it is mostly the same Clear Channel garbage. If it weren't for NPR, you could take away my radio altogether.

If one of your goals in allowing this to pass is to dumb down the public even more, creating people with no independent mind or ability to use their processes of critical thinking and to censure dissenting voices, so big business can further dominate the culture and peddle their products, than my message is not for you.